

REMARKS

The interview with examiner Vicky A. Johnson on June 17, 2005 is acknowledged with appreciation. The examiner's interview summary is accurate as to what transpired at the interview.

The specification is amended at page 6 which removes the basis for the objection to the disclosure.

The office action objects to claim 5 and claim 5 is amended to remove the objectionable misspelling.

Claims 1, 2, 6-8, 13 and 15-18 are rejected as anticipated by Landry (U.S. Patent No. 5,580,324). As discussed at the interview Landry does not disclose "means for allowing detachment of the cam from the fixed flange to remove the cam from the driven pulley system without additional disassembly of the driven pulley assembly" as recited in claim 1, "the fixed and movable units being arranged to allow detachment of the cam from the fixed flange to remove the cam from the driven pulley system without additional disassembly of the driven pulley assembly" as recited in claim 6 and "the cam being mounted to the axially outer side of the fixed flange and extending through the fixed flange channel for engagement with the cam follower" as recited in claim 15. At column 3, lines 37-43 Landry states

On the shaft (40) is mounted a cam plate (60) similar to the ones found in conventional driven pulleys. The cam plate (60) is coaxially mounted on the shaft (40) with which it is solid, meaning that no relative movement between each other can occur. The cam plate (60) bears inclined cam surfaces (62) extending around the shaft (40) at a given radius.

Thus, Landry provides a fixed cam, there is no "means for allowing detachment" as recited in claim 1, there is no "units being arranged to permit removal of at least one fastener holding the cam and to allow detachment of the cam" as recited in claim 6 and no "cam being mounted to the axially outer side of the fixed flange" as recited in claim 15. The claim 1 "means for allowing detachment" is in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph. The prior art does not teach or suggest such means or an equivalent.

Claims 1-20 are rejected for obvious double patenting over claims 1-23 of U.S. Application No. 10/438,414 and over claims 1-24 of U.S. Application No. 10/438,415. The claims of the 10/438,414 and 10/438,415 applications do not recite the above quoted limitations of claims 1, 6 and 15 and, for at least this reason, there is no grounds for obviousness double patenting. Additionally, the claims of the 10/438,415 application are directed to rotation structure and/or means not found in the claims of the present (10/603,634) application. The claims of the 10/438,414 application are directed to spring adjustment structure and/or means not found in the claims of the present (10/603,634) application. These differences are not obvious modifications and for these reasons withdrawal of the obvious-type double patenting rejection is requested.

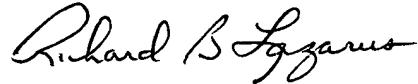
In view of the above, it is submitted that all of the claims (Nos. 1-20) are in condition for allowance and such action is, respectfully, requested.

If there is any issue remaining to be resolved, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that resolution can be promptly effected.

It is requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response with the fee for such extensions and shortages in other fees, being charged, or any overpayment in fees being credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435 (3057-72313).

Respectfully submitted,

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